

**THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLCOX, COCHISE COUNTY, AZ
HELD ON THIS 6TH DAY OF APRIL 2017**

CALL TO ORDER - Mayor Michael Laws called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL - City Clerk Crystal Hadfield called the roll.

PRESENT

Mayor Michael J. Laws
Councilman Gerald "Sam" Lindsey
Councilman Robert A. Irvin
Councilman Elwood A. Johnson
Councilman Timothy A. Bowlby
Councilwoman Rachel D. Garza

STAFF

City Manager Ted Soltis
City Attorney Ann Roberts
Finance Director/City Clerk Crystal Hadfield
Public Safety Director Jose Rios
Library Director Tom Miner

ABSENT

Vice Mayor Terry Rowden

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG - Led by Mayor Laws

CALL TO THE PUBLIC - None

DECLARATION ON CONFLICT OF INTEREST - None

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION: Councilmember Bowlby made a motion to adopt the agenda as presented.

SECONDED: Councilmember Irvin seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVE THE MARCH 16, 2017 COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

MOTION: Councilmember Lindsey made a motion to approve the March 16, 2017 Council meeting minutes.

SECONDED: Councilmember Garza seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED (5 – Aye's: Laws, Lindsey, Irvin, Bowlby, and Garza; 1 – Nay: Johnson)

ELSIE HOGAN LIBRARY YEAR-IN-REVIEW – TOM MINER

Library Director Tom Miner gave a presentation in which he presented results and statistics from a library survey. Miner was very pleased with the positive results received. He also discussed programming efforts by staff and current grants being submitted. Miner also gave an update as to what is transpiring in the County-wide library district.

RESOLUTION 2017-06 – A RESOLUTION APPROVING A SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT

MOTION: Councilmember Bowlby made a motion to approve Resolution 2017-06.

SECONDED: Councilmember Lindsey seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED

PROCLAMATION – FAIR HOUSING MONTH

Mayor Laws read the Proclamation.

PROCLAMATION – NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

Mayor Laws read and presented the Proclamation to Tom Miner.

PROCLAMATION – NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK

Mayor Laws read and presented the Proclamation to John Cropper.

PROCLAMATION – ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER WEEK

Mayor Laws read and presented the Proclamation to Kelly Colbert.

PROCLAMATION – PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUTERS WEEK

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Mayor Laws read and presented the Proclamation to Patricia Ackerson, Jordan Faulkner, Julie Zozaya, and Julie Colwell.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

- City Manager Soltis stated that the City's Mayor/Managers' meeting was a success. He thanked Rod Keeling for his presentation and also thanked Big Tex for the wonderful meal.
- Soltis stated that in mid-April a pre-construction meeting will be held for the waste water treatment plant construction. Notice to proceed will be given at that meeting. Soltis gave a timeline of the project and stated that it is estimated to be completed in July of 2018.
- Soltis stated that the City raised \$18,000 for the playground equipment and with the City's match, the playground equipment can be ordered. Soltis thanked everyone who made the project successful.

COMMENTS NOT FOR DISCUSSION FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS

Councilman Lindsey: Lindsey announced that the Harlem Ambassadors were here Monday night and that Councilmember Bowlby also participated in the proceedings. Lindsey also mentioned that the discussion that took place during the "Comments not for discussion from Mayor and Council Members" part of the meeting at the last meeting should not have taken place.

Councilmember Bowlby: Bowlby stated that he had a good time at the Harlem Ambassadors. Bowlby mentioned that WASA is working on getting a golf tournament together.

Councilmember Garza: Garza reiterated that the Harlem Ambassadors event was a lot of fun. Garza then congratulated the community on their efforts for the playground equipment. She stated that the community stepped up and recognized the importance for the children. Plans have been looked at by City Manager Soltis, the Middle School Student Council, and the Ad-Hoc committee. Garza feels that it will be pretty close to Memorial Day when the project is complete. Garza mentioned that a bake sale was held on April 4th and that she was able to talk to a lot of people that day and they expressed excitement over the equipment for the children. Garza also mentioned that April 4th was also the opening day for the Little League. Garza expressed sadness over losing a young community member.

Mayor Laws – Mayor Laws congratulated everyone who received a proclamation tonight. Laws then congratulated City Manager Soltis for getting the work done on the waste water treatment plant. He also congratulated everyone on the park playground equipment. Laws then spoke about the fun time at the Harlem Ambassadors event. Laws ended with expressing his sadness about the loss of the young man.

ADJOURN

With no further business before the Mayor and Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:18 p.m. by Mayor Laws.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Willcox held on the 6th day of April 2017. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held, and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 6th day of April 2017



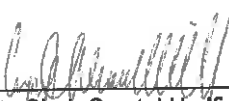
City Clerk Crystal L. Hadfield

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 20th day of April 2017.



Mayor Michael J. Laws

ATTEST:



City Clerk Crystal Hadfield